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TITLE:
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INVENTOR(S):
                         Lewensohn, Rolf; Gullbo, Joakim; Larsson, Rolf;
                         Ehrsson, Hans; Luthman, Kristina
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PATENT ASSIGNEE(S):
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MARPAT 136:31672 OTHER SOURCE(S):

The invention provides alkylating di- and tripeptides based on a melphalan unit, and one or two addnl. amino acids or amino acid derivs., which can be used in the treatment of carcinogenic diseases. Further, the invention provides a pharmaceutical compn. comprising the alkylating peptides of the invention. Compd. prepn. is included.

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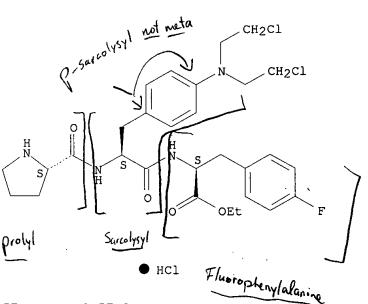
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Absolute stereochemistry.



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RL: RCT (Reactant); SPN (Synthetic preparation); PREP (Preparation); RACT (Reactant or reagent)

(prepn. and reaction; melphalan deriv. prepn. and use as cancer chemotherapeutic drugs)

RN 380449-57-0 HCAPLUS

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Absolute stereochemistry.

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DOCUMENT NUMBER: 132:347949

TITLE: Method for producing L-prolyl-L-m-sarcolysyl-L-p-

fluorophenylalanine and derivatives thereof

INVENTOR(S): Mehlem, Francesco; Di Vittorio, Pietro

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Peptichemio A.-G., Switz. SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 20 pp.

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reacted with N-protected L-m-sarcolysine in the presence of dicyclohexylcarbodiimide, to give N,C-protected L-m-sarcolysyl-L-p-fluorophenylalanine. The N-protecting group was removed, to give C-protected L-m-sarcolysyl-L-p-fluorophenylalanine, which was then reacted with N-protected proline, to give N,C-protected L-prolyl-L-m-sarcolysyl-L-p-fluorophenylalanine. Finally the N-protecting group was removed and the HCl salt was prepd. to give Et L-prolyl-L-m-sarcolysyl-L-p-fluorophenylalanate hydrochloride in 5% yield.

IT 39064-36-3P

RL: RCT (Reactant); SPN (Synthetic preparation); PREP (Preparation); RACT (Reactant or reagent)

(prepn. of L-prolyl-L-m-sarcolysyl-L-p-fluorophenylalanine for use as chemotherapeutic agents)

RN 39064-36-3 HCAPLUS

CN L-Phenylalanine, 1-[(phenylmethoxy)carbonyl]-L-prolyl-3-[bis(2-chloroethyl)amino]-L-phenylalanyl-4-fluoro-, ethyl ester (9CI) (CA INDEX NAME)

Absolute stereochemistry. Rotation (-).

IT 35849-47-9P

RL: SPN (Synthetic preparation); PREP (Preparation) (prepn. of L-prolyl-L-m-sarcolysyl-L-p-fluorophenylalanine for use as chemotherapeutic agents)

RN 35849-47-9 HCAPLUS

CN L-Phenylalanine, L-prolyl-3-[bis(2-chloroethyl)amino]-L-phenylalanyl-4-fluoro-, ethyl ester, monohydrochloride (9CI) (CA INDEX NAME)

Absolute stereochemistry. Rotation (-).

● HCl

REFERENCE COUNT: 3 THERE ARE 3 CITED REFERENCES AVAILABLE FOR THIS

RECORD. ALL CITATIONS AVAILABLE IN THE RE FORMAT

L18 ANSWER 3 OF 6 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:64700 HCAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 130:144179

TITLE: Pharmaceutical composition containing Peptichemio for

cancer treatment

INVENTOR(S):
Mehlem, Francesco

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Peptichemio A.-G., Switz. SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 20 pp.

CODEN: PIXXD2

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent LANGUAGE: German

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CH 1997-1651 A 19970707 EP 1998-929194 A3 19980707 WO 1998-CH300 W 19980707

AB Peptichemio, a mixt. of 6 synthetic peptides each contg. L-m-sarcolysin, shows anticancer activity, esp. against melanomas. The peptides, and their lower alkyl esters and /or acid addn. salts, are formulated as delayed-release compns. with a cyclodextrin as carrier to provide adequate bioavailability over an extended period. Thus, synthesis of 1 of the peptides, L-prolyl-L-m-sarcolysyl-L-p-fluorophenylalanine Et ester hydrochloride (I), from N-carbobenzoxy-L-proline, N-carbobenzoxy-L-m-sarcolysin, and L-p-fluorophenylalanine Et ester by the DCCD method is described. Oral cytostatic capsules contained I 12 mg and .beta.-cyclodextrin 25 g.

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RL: BAC (Biological activity or effector, except adverse); BSU (Biological study, unclassified); SPN (Synthetic preparation); THU (Therapeutic use); BIOL (Biological study); PREP (Preparation); USES (Uses)

(pharmaceutical compn. contg. Peptichemio for cancer treatment)

RN 35849-47-9 HCAPLUS

CN L-Phenylalanine, L-prolyl-3-[bis(2-chloroethyl)amino]-L-phenylalanyl-4-fluoro-, ethyl ester, monohydrochloride (9CI) (CA INDEX NAME)

Absolute stereochemistry. Rotation (-).

HCl

IT 39064-36-3P

RL: RCT (Reactant); SPN (Synthetic preparation); PREP (Preparation); RACT (Reactant or reagent)

(pharmaceutical compn. contg. Peptichemio for cancer treatment)

RN 39064-36-3 HCAPLUS

CN L-Phenylalanine, 1-[(phenylmethoxy)carbonyl]-L-prolyl-3-[bis(2-chloroethyl)amino]-L-phenylalanyl-4-fluoro-, ethyl ester (9CI) (CA INDEX NAME)

Absolute stereochemistry. Rotation (-).

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ACCESSION NUMBER:

1973:72600 HCAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER:

78:72600

TITLE:

Tetracycline derivatives of synthetic

m-[bis(2-chloroethyl)amino]-L-phenylalanine-containing

oligopeptides

INVENTOR(S):

De Barbieri, Augusto

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S):

Istituto Sieroterapico Serafino Belfanti

SOURCE:

Ger. Offen., 37 pp. CODEN: GWXXBX

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[In this abstr. FPhe = p-fluoro-L-phenylalanyl, ClPhe = ΑB m-[bis(2-chloroethyl)amino]-L-phenylalanyl, EtAsp = .beta.-ethyl-Laspartyl.] The title compds. (I; R = FPhe-ClPhe-Asn-OEt, Pro-ClPhe-FPhe-OEt, Pro-ClPhe-Nva-OEt, Ser-FPhe-ClPhe-OEt, FPhe-EtAsp-ClPhe-OEt, FPhe-Gly-ClPhe-Nva-OEt) were prepd. by treating tetracycline with H2CO and the corresponding peptide. I caused Sarcoma 180 tumor regression.

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RL: SPN (Synthetic preparation); PREP (Preparation) (prepn. of)

RN 35849-47-9 HCAPLUS

L-Phenylalanine, L-prolyl-3-[bis(2-chloroethyl)amino]-L-phenylalanyl-4-CN fluoro-, ethyl ester, monohydrochloride (9CI) (CA INDEX NAME)

Absolute stereochemistry. Rotation (-).

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RN 39064-36-3 HCAPLUS

CN L-Phenylalanine, 1-[(phenylmethoxy)carbonyl]-L-prolyl-3-[bis(2-chloroethyl)amino]-L-phenylalanyl-4-fluoro-, ethyl ester (9CI) (CA INDEX NAME)

Absolute stereochemistry. Rotation (-).

L18 ANSWER 5 OF 6 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1973:30201 HCAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 78:30201

TITLE: Tetracycline-containing peptides with antitumor

activity

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Istituto Sieroterapico Milanese "Serafino Belfanti"

Ente Morale

SOURCE: Fr. Demande, 28 pp.

CODEN: FRXXBL

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent LANGUAGE: French

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PATENT INFORMATION:

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- AB Tetracycline derivs. (I) in which R is a di-, tri, or tetrapeptide contg. the m-[bis(2-chloroethyl)amino]phenylalanine residue were prepd. by the Mannich reaction of tetracycline with the appropriate peptide. The necessary peptides were prepd. by the dicyclohexylcarbodiimide procedure.
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Absolute stereochemistry. Rotation (-).

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Absolute stereochemistry. Rotation (-).

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ACCESSION NUMBER:

1972:86148 HCAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER:

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TITLE:

Cytostatic m-[bis(2-chloroethyl)amino]-L-phenylalanine-

containing oligopeptides

INVENTOR(S):

De Barbieri, Agusto

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S):

Istituto Sieroterapico Serafino Belfanti

SOURCE:

Ger. Offen., 53 pp. CODEN: GWXXBX

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GI For diagram(s), see printed CA Issue.

(Y = -HNCH[CH2C6H4N(CH2CH2C1)2]CO-; -QPhe- = -HNCH-(CH2C6H4F-p)CO-; NArg = N.omega.-nitro-L-arginyl; Z = PhCH2O2C). The title compds. [I; R = H, H-QPhe; Pro; Ser-QPhe, H-QPhe-(EtO)Asp, or HCO-QPhe; R1 = Asp-OEt, OEt, QPhe-OEt, Nva-OEt, Lys-OEt, Lys-Nva-OEt, Lys-QPhe-OEt, N-Arg-Nva-OEt, NArg-QPhe-OEt, or Arg-Lys-QPhe-His-OH] were prepd. and used as cytostatics according to Cancer Chemotherapy National Service Center methods esp. against Sarcoma 180 and Adenocarcinoma 755 in mice and addnl. clinically against several tumors. Thus, Z-Asp-OEt was hydrogenated over Pd/C in MeOH-AcOH, HCl added, the base released in DMF, and ZyOH and dicylohexylcarbodiimide added to 0.degree. to give 79% ZYAsp-OEt. The Z group was removed by hydrogenolysis in MeOH-HCl in the presence of Pd/C to give 75% I.HCl (R = H, R1 = Asp-OEt). Similarly prepd. and used were 16 other I.

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RL: SPN (Synthetic preparation); PREP (Preparation) (prepn. of)

RN 35849-47-9 HCAPLUS

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INVENTOR(S):
                        Mehlem, Francesco; Di Vittorio, Pietro
                        Peptichemio A.-G., Switz.
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OTHER SOURCE(S): MARPAT 132:347949

AB An improved synthesis of the title compd., a component of the chemotherapeutic mixt. Peptichemio, and its alkyl esters or acid addn. salts, is claimed. Thus, C-terminal protected L-p-fluorophenylalanine was reacted with N-protected L-m-sarcolysine in the presence of dicyclohexylcarbodiimide, to give N,C-protected L-m-sarcolysyl-L-p-fluorophenylalanine. The N-protecting group was removed, to give C-protected L-m-sarcolysyl-L-p-fluorophenylalanine, which was then reacted with N-protected proline, to give N,C-protected L-prolyl-L-m-sarcolysyl-L-p-fluorophenylalanine. Finally the N-protecting group was removed and the HCl salt was prepd. to give Et L-prolyl-L-m-sarcolysyl-L-p-fluorophenylalanate hydrochloride in 5% yield.

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thows the classical MDR phenotype with overexpression of Pdycoprotein 170 (Dalton et al, 1986). The 8226/LR-5 was selected for Mel resistance, proposed to be associated with increased levels of glutathione (Bellamy et al, 1991; Mulcahy et al. 1994). The 11-937-Vcr was selected for vincristine resistance, proposed to be mbulin associated (Botling et al. 1994). The H69AR, selected for doxorubicin resistance, expresses a multidrug-resistant (MDR) chenotype proposed to be mediated by a multidrug resistanceessociated protein (MRP, Mirski et al, 1987; Cole et al, 1992). The CEM/VM-1, selected for teniposide resistance, expresses an atypical MDR, which is proposed to be topoisomerase II (topolI) associated (Danks et al, 1987, 1988). The exact mechanism of resistance for the primary resistant ACHN cell line is not known and may be multifactorial (Nygren and Larsson, 1990).

The cell lines were grown in complete culture medium described below at 37°C in humidified atmosphere containing 5% carbon dioxide. The 8226/Dox 40 was treated once a month with δοxorubicin at 0.24 µg ml-1 and the 8226/LR-5 at each change of medium with Mel at 1.53 μg ml-1. The U-937-Vcr was continuously cultured in the presence of 10 ng ml-1 vincristine and the 1169AR was alternately fed with drug-free medium and medium containing 0.46 µg ml⁻¹ doxorubicin. The CEM/VM-1 cell line was cultured in drug-free medium without any loss of resistance for a period of 6-8 months. The resistance patterns of the cell lines were routinely confirmed in control experiments.

Patient samples

ktotal of 49 patient tumour samples from the different diagnostic group was used to determine the activity of P2. Mel, and, for comparison, five other cytotoxic drugs were chosen to represent different mechanistic classes. However, because of a limited number of cells, all drugs could not be tested in all samples. wenty-eight solid and 21 haematological tumours were used to determine the dose-response relationship for P2 and Mel. The diagnostic groups of origin were: acute lymphocytic leukaemia (ceven), acute myelocytic leukaemia (eight), chronic lymphocytic **L**ukaemia (four), myeloma (two), carcinoma of the bladder (one), breast cancer (four), non-small-cell lung cancer (six), ovarian arcinoma (eight), phaeochromocytoma (one), sarcoma (two), carcinoma of the thyroid (one), mesothelioma (one), unknown mary (one), gastric cancer (one), cardiac carcinoma (one), Leuroblastoma (one). The overall percentage of previously utreated patients was 58%. Five samples of normal peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) from healthy blood donors vere compared with those of the five chronic lymphocytic takaemia (CLL) samples.

The tumour samples were obtained by bone marrow/peripheral dood sampling, routine surgery or diagnostic biopsy, and this ampling was approved by the local ethics committee at the Uppsala University Hospital. Leukaemic cells and PBMCs were colated from bone marrow or peripheral blood by 1.077 g ml-Coll-Paque (Kabi-Pharmacia, Uppsala, Sweden) density Gadient centrifugation (Larsson et al. 1992). Tumour tissue from id tumour samples was minced into small pieces and tumour ells were then isolated by collagenase dispersion followed by Percoll (Kabi-Pharmacia) density gradient centrifugation (Csoka al, 1994). Cell viability was determined by the trypan blue clusion test and the proportion of tumour cells in the preparation s judged by inspection of May-Grünwald-Giemsa-stained

Table 1 Chemical composition of peptichemio oligopeptides

Peptide 1 (P1): L-Ser-LpFPhe-L-mSL.OEt Peptide 2 (P2): L-Pro-L-mSL-LpFPhe.OEt Peptide 3 (P3): L-pFPhe-L-mSL-Asn.OEt Peptide 4 (P4):L-mSL-L-Arg(NO₂)-L-Nval.OEt Peptide 5 (P5): L-pFPhe-Gly-L-mSL-L-Nval.OEt Peptide 6 (P6): L-mSL-L-Arg-L-Lys-L-mSL-L-His.OMe

cytospin preparations by a cytopathologist. In some cases, cells were cryopreserved in a culture medium containing 10% dimethylsulphoxide (DMSO; Sigma Chemical Co., St Louis, MO, USA) and 50% inactivated fetal calf serum (FCS; HyClone, Cramlington, UK) by initial freezing for 24 h at -70°C, followed by storage in liquid nitrogen or in the deep freeze at -150°C. Cryopreservation in this way does not affect drug sensitivity (Nygren et al, 1992).

Reagents and drugs

Fluorescein diacetate (FDA; Sigma) was dissolved in DMSO and kept frozen (-20°C) as a stock solution protected from light. A complete medium consisting of culture medium RPMI-1640 (HyClone, Cramlington, UK) supplemented with 10% inactivated FCS, 2 mm glutamine, 50 µg ml⁻¹ streptomycin and 60 µg ml⁻¹ penicillin was used throughout for both cell lines and patient samples. Mel was obtained from the Wellcome Foundation, London, UK. The drug was received as a sterile powder, 2 mg of which were dissolved in 0.5-1 ml of 92% ethanol with 2% hydrogen chloride and further diluted in cell culture medium to the desired drug concentrations. The components of PTC and m-L-m-L-SL were obtained from Istituto Sieroterapico, Milanese, S. Belfanti, Milan, Italy. The peptides 1-5 were obtained as ethyl esters and peptide 6 as methyl ester (Table 1). An aliquot of 2 mg of each was dissolved in 0.5-1 ml of 92% ethanol with hydrochloric acid and further diluted in cell culture medium to the desired drug concentrations. Cisplatin, cytarabine, doxorubicin, etoposide and vincristine were obtained from commercial sources and were dissolved according to guidelines from the manufacturer and further diluted in phosphate-buffered saline (PBS; HyClone) or sterile water.

In the cell line panel all drugs were tested at four different drug concentrations, obtained by fivefold serial dilution from the maximum 10 μg ml-1. On a molar basis the concentration of the different oligopetides are 39-43% of that of Mel and m-L-SL. To determine the dose-response relationship for Mel and P2 in patient samples, five different drug concentrations were used, obtained by a fivefold serial dilution of the drugs from 50 µg ml-1. In the patient samples, the concentrations chosen for comparison with standard drugs were the empirically derived cut-off concentrations (EDCCs), defined as the concentration that produces a significant scatter of survival index (SI) values among haematological tumours. This concentration was used to optimize the conditions for evaluating cross-resistance. The concentrations 2 and 0.08 µg ml-1 were chosen for Mel and P2, respectively, and the EDCCs for the other drugs have been described previously (Larsson et al, 1992).

Ninety-six-well microtitre plates (Nunc. Roskilde, Denmark) were prepared with 20 μ l per well of drug solution at ten times the desired concentration, with the aid of a programmable pipetting robot (Propette, Perkin Elmer, Norwalk, CT, USA). The plates

were stored frozen at -70°C for up to 2 months until further use. Under these conditions, no apparent change in drug activity was observed (Larsson et al, 1992).

The fluorometric microculture cytotoxicity assay procedure

The fluorometric microculture cytotoxicity assay (FMCA) is based on measurement of fluorescence generated from hydrolysis of FDA to fluorescein by cells with intact plasma membranes and has been described in detail previously (Larsson et al, 1992). Briefly, the cells were resuspended in complete medium, and 180 μ l of cell suspension was seeded into the wells of 96-well experimental microtitre plates prepared with drugs as described. Cell densities were $5-20 \times 10^3$ cells per well for the cell lines, $10-20 \times 10^3$ cells per well for the solid tumour cells and $50-100 \times 10^3$ cells per well for the haematological tumour cells. Each drug and concentration was tested in triplicate. Six wells with cells but without drugs served as control and six wells with only culture medium as blank.

The plates were incubated for 72 h at 37°C in humidified conditions containing 5% carbon dioxide. At the end of the incubation period the plates were centrifuged (200 g, 5 min) and the medium was removed by aspiration. After one wash in PBS, 100 μ l per well of FDA dissolved in PBS (10 μ g ml⁻¹) was added. The plates were incubated for 45 min and the generated fluorescence (excitation 480 nm) from each well was measured at 538 nm in a 96-well scanning fluorometer (Fluoroscan II, Labsystems Oy, Helsinki, Finland). The fluorescence is proportional to the number of intact cells in the well.

To evaluate the schedule dependency of drug activity, CCRF-CEM cells and ACHN cells were used and were exposed to the drug for 2, 4 or 72 h followed by washing with PBS, addition of new culture medium and analysis at 72 h. Stability of P2 and Mel under assay conditions was investigated by a bioassay. Plates prepared with Mel and P2 were preincubated with 100 μl medium per well for different time periods, ranging from 0 to 72 h. at 37°C before cell suspension (U-937-GTB) was added. The activity of the drugs after different preincubation times was evaluated by comparing the SI values obtained after a further 72 h incubation with FMCA, as described above.

Quality control

Quality criteria for a successful analysis included a fluorescence signal in the control wells of more than five times mean blank value, a mean coefficient of variation (CV) in the control wells of less than 30% and more than 70% tumor cells in the cell preparation before incubation.

Quantification of FMCA results

Cell survival is presented as survival index (SI), defined as the fluorescence in experimental wells in per cent of that in control wells, with blank values subtracted. The IC_{50} was defined as the concentration giving a SI of 50%.

For both cell lines and primary cultures, the $IC_{50}s$ were evaluated for each individual cell line and drug with custom-made computer software (Dhar et al. 1996). A delta value was calculated as the logarithm of the IC_{50} of the individual cell line minus the mean of all ten $log IC_{50}s$ (Fridborg et al. 1996). The resistance

factors (RFs) in each subline were defined as the IC $_{50}$ of the resistant subline divided by the IC $_{50}$ of its sensitive parental cell line. The pairs of parental/resistant cell lines used for RF calculations of P-glycoprotein (P-gp), MRP, topo II, glutathione (GSH) and tubulin-associated resistance were RPMI 8226S/8226Dox40, NCI-H69/H69AR, CCRF-CEM/CEM-VM-1, RPMI 8226S/8226LR-5 and U-937-GTB/U-937-Vcr respectively. Correlation coefficients were determined using Pearson's correlation coefficient. Response rate was defined as the fraction of samples having a SI below 50% at 0.5 μ g ml⁻¹ for all samples investigated. In vitro therapeutic index was calculated as median IC $_{50}$ of CLL samples/median IC $_{50}$ of normal PBMCs.

Measurement of DNA synthesis

In some experiments bromodeoxyuridine (BrdU) incorporation into cellular DNA was determined with an enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) kit from Boehringer Mannheim (Mannheim, Germany) essentially according to the protocol provided by the manufacturer. Briefly, cells were incubated in 96-well plates for 72 h in the presence of BrdU. The cells were then fixed and an antibody directed to BrdU was added. The formed immune complex was detected by a substrate reaction using tetramethylbenzidine and measured in a spectrophotometric microplate reader (Dynatech, Billingshurst, UK).

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Activity patterns of PTC oligopeptides in the cell line panel resembles that of Mel

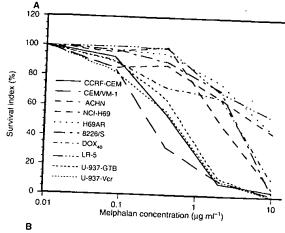
Concentration-response curves for Mel in the cell line panel are shown in Figure 1A. Delta, the deviation of $\log IC_{50}$ from the mean $\log IC_{50}$ of the cell line panel, is shown in Figure 1B. When the patterns of deltas for Mel were compared with those of m-L-SL and the components of PTC using Pearson's correlation analysis, a high correlation was obtained for several of the m-L-SL oligopeptides (Table 2). For m-L-SL, P1, P2 and P4 the correlation coefficients were > 0.90. No correlation was established with P6 as an IC_{50} was reached in only one cell line.

P2 is more potent than the other PTC oligopeptides

P2 was the most active m-L-SL oligopeptide, which showed a slightly lower mean IC_{50} (2.6 μg ml⁻¹) compared with Mel (3.9 μg ml⁻¹) and m-L-SL (4.1 μg ml⁻¹). However, on a molar basis, the IC_{50} value for P2 was 3.3 times lower than m-L-SL. P1 showed an IC_{50} of 4.1 μg ml⁻¹ whereas the remaining m-L-SL oligopeptides had IC_{50} between 5.8 and 9.1 (Table 2). P2 was the only oligopeptide producing a S1 below 50% in all the tested cell lines (Table 2).

P2 appears not to be affected by GSH-associated resistance

Although, the overall activity profile resembled that of Mel. P2 appeared not to be affected by GSH-associated resistance as determined by the low resistance factor obtained using the LR5-parental IC₅₀ ratio (RF 1.05, Table 3). Mel and m-L-SL, on the other hand, showed RFs of 3.1 and 3.8 respectively. P2 also appeared less sensitive to MRP-associated resistance than Mel and m-L-SL with RFs of 1.55, 4.0 and 4.17 respectively (Table 3). Neither of the drugs was affected by the remaining resistance mechanisms.



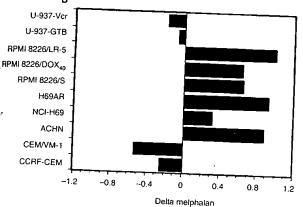


Figure 1 Effect of Mel on survival index (SI) for all investigated cell lines. Survival index: fluorescence in test wells/fluorescence in control wells with bank values subtracted (A). From these concentration-response curves, mean \log_{10} $|C_{s0}$ was determined defined as the mean of the \log_{10} values of all fen individual $|C_{s0}|$ s obtained for the drug. Then, the difference between the \log_{10} of each cell line and the mean \log_{10} IC_{50} was calculated to yield a variable defined as delta (x-axis). A mean graph consisting of the drugspecific deltas across the cell line panel could then be constructed to sualize differential cytotoxicity patterns of drugs (B). Thus, bars projecting to he left (negative values) indicate cell lines more sensitive than the average and bars projecting to the right (positive values) indicate drugs more resistant an the average for a particular drug. See also Materials and methods

2 is more active than Mel against primary human tumour cells from patients

the activity of P2 and Mel was then further characterized in 49 tesh human tumour samples, 21 from haematological and 28 from wild tumour patients. In these samples P2 was considerably more Crive than Mel, showing IC₅₀ values of 0.51 and 8.6 compared th 2.3 and 23.8 μg ml⁻¹ for haematological and solid tumour imples respectively (Figure 2). When compared with the cell mes, P2 was significantly more active against the primary tures, showing an IC₅₀ ratio for Mel over P2 of 11.2 compared 1.5 for the cell lines. A tendency towards higher relative solid mour activity for P2 was also observed, two and six solid tumour imples showing negative deltas compared with overall mean for P2 and Mel respectively (Figure 2).

The six solid tumour samples were from patients with ovarian cer (two), neuroblastoma, non-small-cell lung cancer, breast ecer and carcinoid tumour. At clinically achievable exposure for

Table 2 Results of comparative testing of Mel (melphalan) and the related compounds in a mechanism-based cell line panel.

Rank	Drug	IC ₅₀ ª mean	RÞ	IC ₅₀ max	IC ₅₀ min
	Mel	3.9	1.0	10	0.00
2	m-L-SL	4.1	0.99	9.1	0.29
3	P1	4.1	0.97	10	0.61
	P4	6.8	0.92		1.1
	P2	2.6		10	1.8
	P5	5.8	0.90	5.3	0.38
	P3		0.81	10	1.5
		7.6	0.69	10	1.6
)	P6	9.1	nd	10	1.2

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m e}$ For the ten cell lines depicted in Figure 1 mean IC $_{
m so}$ s were determined for all oligopeptides and the results are expressed as μg ml-1. $^{\text{\tiny b}} Correlations$ of the cell line panel log $\rm IC_{50}$ values using MeI as the reference compound.

Table 3 Resistance factors for Mel (melphalan), m-L-SL (Sarcolysine) and

	Resistance factors (RF						
Resistance mechanism	Mel	m-L-SL	P2				
P-gp-associated MDR	0.99	0.05					
Topo II-associated MDR		0.95	0.96				
Tubulin-associated MDR	0.52	0.76	0.69 1.02				
	0.75	0.96					
GSH-associated MDR	3.10 4.0	3.80					
MRP-associated MDR			1.05				
	7.0	4.17	1.55				

 $^{\mathrm{a}}$ Resistance factor (RF) = $^{\mathrm{IC}}_{\mathrm{50}}$ in resistant cell line/ $^{\mathrm{IC}}_{\mathrm{50}}$ in parental cell line. Results are presented as one typical experiment out of three.

Mel (2.0 $\mu g \text{ ml}^{-1}$) an in vitro response rate (percentage of samples with > 50% decrease in SI) of 67% and 0% was observed for haematological and solid tumour samples respectively. The corresponding response rates for P2 was 100% and 43% (Table 4).

P2 is more active than Mel on low-proliferating tumour cell systems

To investigate whether the increased activity of P2 could be related to the low proliferative rate of the primary cultures, the ratio of Mel vs P2 IC₅₀s in the cell lines was plotted against the rate of proliferation under assay conditions in V-shaped plates (Figure 3). An inverse relationship was observed (R = 0.70), P2 being more active against the low-proliferating cell lines. The next series of experiments aimed to determine whether this relationship was causally related to proliferation rather than being cell-type specific. ACHN, which shows a low growth rate in V-shaped plates but proliferates rapidly when seeded into flat-bottomed plates, was used for this purpose. When tested in flat-bottomed plates P2, Mel and m-L-SL showed similar IC_{50} s (not shown). In V-shaped plates, on the other hand, the corresponding IC₅₀ for Mel and m-t-SL was significantly increased (four- to fivefold). whereas, by comparison P2 retained much of its activity (< two fold, not shown). Stability under assay conditions determined by a bioassay was similar for Mel and P2 (half-life of approximately 2 h, not shown) and 2-, 4- and 72-h exposure times showed similar relative concentration-response relationships for the two drugs (not shown).

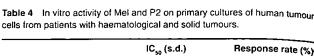
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	IC ₅₀ (:	s.d.)	Response rate (%)			
Tumour type	P2	Mel	P2	Mei	п	
Haematological tumours	0.51 (0.52)	2.3 (2.6)	100	67	21	
Solid tumours	8.6 (13.4)	23.8 (18.8)	43	0	28	
Total	5.2 (10.9)	14.6 (17.8)	67	28	49	

^{*}Response rate was defined as the number of samples with >50% decrease in SI/total number of samples \times 100 at 2 μg ml⁻¹ for each drug.

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Figure 2 From concentration–response curves of MeI (A) and P2 (B) obtained from 49 primary human tumour cell samples (21 haematological and 28 solid tumour samples), mean $\log_{10} IC_{\rm so}$ was determined defined as the mean of the \log_{10} values of all 49 individual $IC_{\rm so}$ s obtained for the drug. Then, the difference between the \log_{10} of each tumour cell sample and the mean $\log_{10} IC_{\rm so}$ was calculated to yield a variable defined as delta (x-axis). A mean graph consisting of the drug-specific deltas across the cell line panel could then be constructed to visualize differential cytotoxicity patterns of drugs (B). Thus, bars projecting to the left (negative values) indicate tumour samples more sensitive than the average and bars projecting to the right (positive values) indicate drugs more resistant than the average for a particular drug. See also Materials and methods

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P2 shows a low degree of cross-resistance to standard agents

Not only in the cell line panel (Table 2) but also in the primary cultures (Figure 4), was the correlation between P2 and Mel relatively high, indicating a similar mode of action. However, cross-resistance to standard drugs determined using the haematological

samples was generally low (0.14–0.43, Table 5). The correlation with doxorubicin, etoposide and cisplatin was much lower for P2 than Mel, whereas the correlations with cytarabine and vincristine were of similar magnitude (Table 5)

P2 shows a similar in vitro therapeutic index to Mel in low-proliferating cell systems

P2 also showed lower IC₅₀s than MeI in PBMCs with median values of 0.27 and 4.0 respectively (n = 5). However, when compared with median IC₅₀ values of malignant CLL samples, 0.07 and 1.4 µg ml⁻¹ respectively (n = 5) the in vitro therapeutic index (IC₅₀ PBMCs/IC₅₀ CLL) was 3.9 for P2 and 2.8 for MeI (Table 6).

DISCUSSION

Mel and m-L-SL are closely related aromatic nitrogen mustard derivatives. The two molecules differ only in the position of the di-(2-chloroethyl) amino-group, which is in the para position in Mel and in the meta position in m-L-SL. By conjugation of additional amino acids to the carboxyl and amino groups of m-L-SL, a complex consisting of six different peptides has been developed. This mixture of peptides, PTC, has shown clinical activity in several human malignancies (Hug et al, 1980; Paccagnella et al, 1986; Zaniboni et al, 1988). In previous investigations with the human melanoma cell line RPMI 8322, PTC as well as some of its individual peptides were more effective than Mel and m-L-SL (Lewensohn et al, 1991a; Hansson et al, 1991). Myeloma cells isolated from bone marrow of patients with primary myelomas were more sensitive to PTC than to Mel (Paccagnella et al, 1985). In the human melanoma cell line RPMI 8322, used in the abovementioned investigation, we found that one of the peptides in PTC. L-prolyl-m-L-sarcolysyl-L-p-fluorophenylalanine (P2), showed a higher toxicity than free m-L-SL as measured by the clonogenic assay (Hansson et al, 1991).

In the present study we show that P2 was the most active component of PTC when tested in a panel of human tumour cell lines. Moreover, P2 was also more active than Mel and m-L-SL against several of the cell lines. Correlation analysis of cell line panel activity patterns demonstrated a close relationship between P2 and Mel, suggesting a similar mode of action. However, unlike Mel and m-L-SL. P2 appeared not to be affected by GSH- and MRP-associated resistance to any greater extent. We have previously found, using a clonogenic assay, that buthionine sulphoximine, which depletes GSH, sensitizes a melanoma cell line to Mel but to a lesser extent to P2 (Hansson et al. 1991). The previous results with BSO as well as the present, showing low RFs for GSH-mediated resistance, may indicate less dependence on

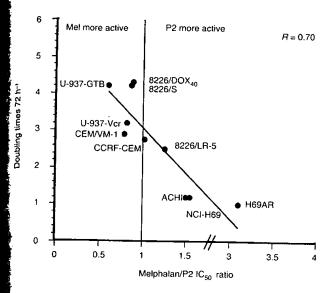


Figure 3 Relationship between Mel/P2 IC₅₀ ratios and number of doubling times 72 h-1 determined by haemocytometer counts in the cell line panel (n = 10). R = Pearson's correlation coefficient

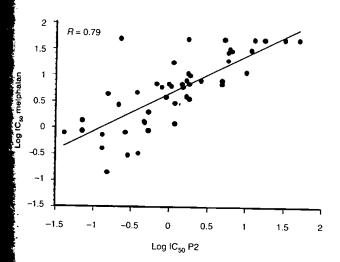


Figure 4 Correlation between log IC $_{50}$ values for MeI and P2 in 49 primary human turnour samples. R = Pearson's correlation coefficient

cellular GSH levels for P2 than Mel sensitivity. The explanation for the lack of GSH-mediated resistance in reponse to P2 does not appear to involve intracellular liberation of m-L-SL as this compound shows RFs of similar magnitude to Mel for GSH-associated resistance. Altered substrate recognition of m-L-SL Oligopeptides by cellular GSH-dependent enzymes is one potential Explanation for the phenomenon. In vitro sensitivity to Mel has previously been noted to result in only a limited increase in toxi-Gity exerted by PTC as compared with Mel in freshly obtained one marrow myeloma cells from untreated patients.

Interestingly, this finding was contrasted by the relatively pronounced sensitivity to PTC in cell populations with in vitro resistance to Mel (Lewensohn et al. 1991b). When comparing Mel. L-SL. PTC and P2 on freshly obtained myeloma cells. P2 dsplayed the highest activity (data not shown).

Table 5 Correlation of Mel and P2 with standard drugs in haematological tumour cell samples from patients at EDCC

Compound	Mel (R)	P	P2(<i>R</i>)	P	n
Doxorubicin	0.63	<0.01	0.32	NS	20
Vincristine	0.36	NS⁵	0.43	NS	20
Etoposide	0.45	NS	0.14	NS	19
Cytarabine	0.39	NS	0.37	NS	20
Cisplatin	0.58	< 0.05	0.24	NS	14

Pearson's correlation coefficient. NS, not significant (P > 0.05).

Table 6 Comparison of median IC_{so}s in CLL and normal PBMC samples for P2 and Mel

Cell type	IC ₅₀ P2	IC ₅₀ Mel
PBMC (n = 5)	0.27	4.0
CLL (n = 5)	0.07	1.4
Ratio PBMC/CLL	3.9	2.8

PBMC, peripheral blood mononuclear cell; CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukaemia

In contrast to proliferating cell lines, human tumour biopsy cells were as a group significantly more sensitive to the cytotoxic activity of P2 than Mel. The reason for this may be related to the low proliferative activity of the primary cultures in the present assay system (Weisenthal et al, 1991) as low-proliferating cell lines also showed higher relative P2 sensitivity. Furthermore, direct manipulation of the proliferative rate of the ACHN cell line produced the corresponding alterations of Mel vs P2 sensitivity. From a clinical point of view, the demonstrated ability of P2 to retain activity against non-cycling cells may be a distinct advantage as the low growth fraction of many solid tumours is a limiting factor for therapeutic responses of most currently used antineoplastic agents. The indications of a wider spectrum of anti-tumour activity and a favourable therapeutic index in vitro as well as the low cross-resistance with standard agents clearly adds to the potential of P2 being a clinically useful anti-tumour agent. What then is the mechanism for increased toxicity of P2 against primary cultures and other non-proliferating cell systems? Although, the drug appears to act mechanistically similar to Mel both in the cell lines and the primary cultures, one may speculate on, at least, two possible explanations. On one hand the effect of a bifunctional alkylating agent is related to the frequency of DNA damage such as DNA cross-links (Lewensohn et al, 1991a). The frequency of DNA cross-links may, however, be regulated by DNA repair mechanisms, which at least in some cell lines is correlated with drug sensitivity (Batist et al, 1989). It would then seem possible that a bifunctional alylating agent in the form of an oligopeptide would not be recognized and excised from the DNA by the same repair mechanism as Mel. On the other hand another possible explanation is that of a more effective cellular uptake of the bifunctional alkylator when in the form of an oligopeptide as compared with Mel only. In this context, it is interesting to note that another tripeptide of m-L-SL, 3-(p-fluorophenyl)-L-alanyl-3-[m-bis(2-chloroethyl) aminophenyl]-L-alanyl-L-methionine ethyl ester], PTT.119, has shown increased anti-tumour activity (Yagi et al. 1984. 1988) and the delivery of this peptide into tumour cells was found to be significantly greater than Mel. It was subsequently

found that this peptide used multiple transport pathways in L1210 cells (Yagi et al, 1988). Both the above alternatives are currently being explored.

In whole blood P2 is rapidly degraded to m-L-SL, a fact that may limit the activity of the drug in vivo (Ehrsson et al, 1993). This finding indicates that peptidase activity probably degrades the P2 compound intracellularly. Degradation of di-, tri- and tetrapeptides has previously been observed in erythrocytes and leucocytes that have high peptidase activity (Stern et al, 1951). More attempts will be made to characterize exactly the intracellular degradation of P2 and test its efficacy in comparison with m-L-SL in vivo.

In the present study, we used a human cell line panel in combination with a panel of primary tumour cultures from patients for in vitro evaluation of differential drug responses of PTC oligopeptides. In a previous study (Dhar et al, 1996) we showed that the present cell line panel is capable of detecting mechanisms of action of standard drugs in addition to its ability to evaluate sensitivity to drugs to defined types of mechanisms of resistance. Complementary to this, non-clonogenic assays used on fresh primary tumour cultures from patients have been shown to mimic the known clinical activity pattern of standard drugs. We have also previously shown that non-clonogenic cytotoxicity assays such as the FMCA can detect tumour type specific activity retrospectively for a series of standard drugs (Nygren et al. 1994) and prospectively for early phase I-II drugs such as vinorelbine, idarubicin, CdA, gemcitabine, taxol and topotecan (Larsson et al. 1994; Larsson and Nygren, 1994; Csoka et al. 1995; Nygren et al. 1995; Fridborg et al. 1996; Jonsson et al, 1997). Thus, experience gained so far suggests that these model systems may be valid tools for initial predictions of the activity and potential utility of novel anticancer drugs.

In summary, we have demonstrated high anti-tumour activity of a m-t-SL oligopeptide against cell lines and primary cultures of tumour cells from patients. The drug appears to show retained activity against non-proliferating cell systems, shows a positive therapeutic index and demonstrates low levels of cross-resistance with standard drugs. Formal testing of these in vitro predictions will require in vivo testing in relevant tumour models and these studies are currently under way.

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CYDEX AND PEPTICHEMIO ANNOUNCE THE SIGNING OF A CAPTISOL® LICENSING AGREEMENT

(OVERLAND PARK, KS, June 14, 1999) - CyDex, Inc. and Peptichemio, AG today announced the signing of a licensing agreement granting Peptichemio worldwide rights to CyDex's CAPTISOL® sulfobutylether beta-cyclodextrin (SBE-b-CD) drug delivery technology for Peptichemio's unique anticancer compound. Under the license agreement, Peptichemio will conduct initial clinical trials utilizing CyDex's CAPTISOL® 's drug delivery technology to deliver their drug. Economic terms of the agreement were not announced.

Peter Higuchi, President and CEO of CyDex said, "We are pleased to be working with Peptichemio on this exciting opportunity. It affords us the opportunity to partner with another small company and to create additional value for the both of us."

"We evaluated several delivery systems and CyDex's CAPTISOL® proved superior. The animal results we obtained on our compound are very encouraging, and we are very pleased that CyDex is willing to partner with us to further develop our technology," said Dr. Victor E. Hofmann, CEO of Peptichemio.

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(57) Abstract

This invention provides improved compositions containing cyclodextrin complexes of peptides, particularly synthetic peptides and peptides of ≤ 40 amino acids. Such peptides are particularly useful for administration as receptor agonists, receptor antagonists, and as vaccines. The compositions of the invention provide improved means for delivery of such peptides.

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CYCLODEXTRIN-PEPTIDE COMPOSITIONS

Field of the Invention:

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This invention relates to a method of presenting pharmaceutically active peptides, particularly receptor blockers and immunogenic peptides, in cyclodextrin compositions.

Background of the Invention:

Cyclodextrins are cyclic molecules containing six or more α -D-glucopyranose units linked together at the 1,4 positions. The 2-hydoxypropyl-B-cyclodextrin (HPCD) has been used for stabilization and solubilization of various compounds, including proteins and steroids. Brewster, et al. described use of cyclodextrins in solubilizing proteins to prevent aggregation , precipitation, and loss of biopotency. ("Application of 2-hydroxypropyl beta cyclodextrin to Proteins", Minutes Int. Symp. Cyclodextrins, 5th, 1990, pp 440-444) proteins studied therein were interleukin-3, and insulin, two large regulatory proteins. There is no suggestion that the 2hydroxypropyl beta cyclodextrin would be useful in formulating peptides for use as receptor blockers or immunogens. Brewster article suggests that the improved potency of the proteins is due to the avoidance of hydrolysis, deamidation, racemization, oxidation and disulfide bond exchange, changes in dimensional protein structure related to folding of the protein. There is no suggestion that the cyclodextrins can be useful for formulations containing synthetic peptides, nor is there any suggestion that the preparations disclosed therein can be administered by application to the mucosa.

Josef Pitha, in U.S. patent 4,727,064, which is incorporated herein by reference, suggests the use of cyclodextrin in solubilizing medicinals including steroids and vitamins, but does not disclose the solubilization of peptides in cyclodextrin.

Szejtli, et al., in U.S. patent 4,380,626, teach the use

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of cyclodextrins in preparations of plant growth regulators including 2-chloroethylphosphonic acid. No use of cyclodextrins for preparation of peptides is taught or suggested therein.

Gideon Goldstein, in U.S. Patent 5,140,010, which is incorporated herein by reference, teaches the stabilization of aqueous formulations of synthetic peptides corresponding to position 32-36 of thymopoietin and known as thymopentin or TP-5 (Arg-Lys-Asp-Val-Tyr) in glycine. Goldstein does not disclose or suggest use of cyclodextrin for stabilization of peptides. TP-5 is effective in blocking the stimulation of smooth muscle contraction caused by the neurotoxin (+)-anatoxin-a (ANTX). ANTX is a bicyclic amine exotoxin produced by the blue-green algae, Anabaena flos-aquae, and has been found to cause death to livestock and waterfowl. The toxin acts by depolarizing blockade of neuromuscular transmission. Such depolarization results in respiratory paralysis. The action of ANTX has been ascribed to its potent nicotinic cholinergic agonist activities in skeletal muscle and mammalian skeletal muscle and the ANTX can also cause cardiovascular central nervous system. aberrations by activation of nicotinic receptors in the adrenal medulla and sympathetic ganglia. The antagonist effect of TP-5 has been attributed to its ability to block nicotinic receptors in a noncompetitive manner.

Summary of the Invention:

This invention provides improved compositions containing cyclodextrin complexes of peptides, particularly synthetic peptides and peptides of \leq 40 amino acids. Such peptides are particularly useful for administration as receptor agonists, receptor antagonists, and as vaccines. The compositions of the invention provide improved means for delivery of such peptides.

Many peptides, especially peptides of about three to 20 amino acids, are unstable in low concentrations and tend to loose biological activity. While Brewster describes the value of preparing formulations of cyclodextrin and regulatory proteins to avoid conformational changes, there is no suggestion therein that cyclodextrin would be useful for increasing

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stability of small peptides such as thymopentin.

The instant invention improves methods of administration of peptides to the mucosa of mammals in need of treatment with effective peptides.

Detailed Description of the Invention:

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The invention provides a means of formulating peptides to avoid loss of efficacy and to facilitate delivery of the active peptides to the reactive site. The method has been exemplified using the synthetic peptides corresponding position 32-36 of thymopoietin and known as TP-5 (Arg-Lys-Asp-Val-Tyr). While the hydroxypropyl cyclodextrin has been exemplified, other cyclodextrins, including mixed cyclodextrins, may be used in the method of the invention.

One problem in use of peptides is their instability in aqueous solution, especially very dilute compositions. Furthermore, many of the solvents used to provide stable, soluble compositions for treatment of other mammals can not be used in man. At present, there is no known compatible solvent for TP-5 in which the peptide is stable and easily administered. This is a significant problem because the instability will hinder acceptance for prophylactic and/or therapeutic applications.

Materials and Methods:

The 2-hydroxypropyl-ß-cyclodextrin used in the examples was purchased from Pharmatec in Alachua, Florida. TP-5 (10-2 M) was synthesized as describe in Chiang, et al, Life Sci 49: (1991) PL13-19 and was made up in various percentages of HPCD dissolved in sterile water. Mixtures were stirred for about one hour. The solutions were then maintained at room tempera-Control solutions of TP-5 dissolved in sterile water ture. without HPCD were also prepared in the same manner. sets of solutions were stored at ambient room temperatures (25°C) for 14 months. Aliquots were removed monthly for The stability study was performed by stability testing. assaying the ability of the TP-5 solutions to counteract the stimulation of contraction of guinea pig ileum by ANTX. Guinea pig ileum contraction stimulated by ANTX was performed as 4

reported in Chiang, et al. (<u>supra</u>). The final concentration of TP-5 for use was obtained by diluting with Krebs-Ringer buffer.

EXAMPLE I

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Aqueous solution of 2-hydroxy- β -cyclodextrin (HPCD) were prepared at concentration of 2.5%, 5.0%, 10%, 15%, 20%, 25% and 30% (w/v). TP-5 was added in sufficient amounts to provide a final molarity of 10^{-2} molar solution of TP-5. Further dilution to provide final dosage was made using Krebs-Ringer buffer. The solutions were then stored at ambient temperature for 14 months, after which activity of the cyclodextrin solutions was compared to freshly made solutions. As a control a 10^{-2} solution without cyclodextrin was prepared. After storage at ambient temperature (25°C) for four weeks the control solution showed no activity.

EXAMPLE II

Evaluation of Anatoxin-A Response alone and in conjunction with TP-5 was carried out in accord with standard procedures as disclosed in U.S. Patent 4,973,734 issued November 27, 1990, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Results:

IC₅₀ values of the inhibition by TP-5 of guinea-pig ileum contraction stimulation by ANTX at 3 x 10^{-5} N was compared using freshly made 10_{-2} molar solutions of TP-5 and similar concentrations of TP-5 in 5%, 15% and 20% solutions of HPCD which had been stored for 14 months at ambient temperature to determine relative activity. The results are shown as mean \pm s.e. of four separate experiments as indicated in Table I

TABLE I

	HPCD (%)	$IC_{50} (\times 10^{-5} M)$
	0 (freshly made)	3.9 ± 1.9
	5%	4.1 ± 3.1
	15%	4.9 <u>+</u> 4.4
35	20%	3.3 ± 3.0

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EXAMPLE III

A composition containing 0.5 mg TP-5 is administered intraperitoneally to rabbits to provide protection against ANTX. Formulations may be administered for up to 4 days. Dosage range for thymopentin may vary from 1 μ g/kg/day to 1 g/kg/day. It is, of course, understood that smaller animals will require higher dosage per kilogram than larger mammals.

Formulations of active agents in HPCD for administration may be prepared using any pharmaceutically appropriate solvent, including water, isotonic saline, glucose, or saline. formulations may be administered orally in the form of liquid bolus, or may be administered as lyophilized powders or tablets. When provided as lyophilized powders, many of the compositions may be administered nasally for inhalation. Compositions of the invention may be administered parenterally by, for example intramuscular, subcutaneous or intraperitoneal Solutions of the cyclodextrin inclusion complexes can be administered to the mucosa by any means appropriate such as by nasal spray, buccal tablet or sublingually as drops. site of administration will be governed, in many instances, by For example, it is often the site of effective response. advantageous to administer immunogenic peptides to the mucosa.

Many other peptides could be formulated in a similar manner. Such peptides include splenopentin (SP-5) having the structure Arg-Lys-Glu-Val-Tyr. This peptide is effective for inducing T-cell differentiation and for modulation of neuromus-cular transmission. (Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 81: 2847-2847 (1984)) Others include a nine amino acid sequence known as delta sleep inducing peptide (DSIP) of the structure Trp-Ala-Gly-Gly-Asp-Ala-Ser-Gly-Glu (Neurosci. Biobehav. Rev.: 83-93 (1984)), vasoactive intestinal peptide (VIP) or biotinyl-VIP from human, porcin, chick, rat or other sources, having the sequence His-Ser-Asp-Ala-Val-Phe-Thr-Asp-Asn-Tyr-Thr-Arg-Leu-Arg-Lys-Gln-Met-Ala-Val-Lys-Tyr-Leu-Asn-Ser-Ile-Leu-Asn-NH₂ for prevention for cell killing by human immunodeficiency virus (Nature 335: 639-642 (1984)) and for pharmacological treatment of tissues involving neuromuscular transmission (Arch. int.

<u>Pharmacodyn 305, 14-24 (1990)</u>. The peptide HG165-178 representing the sequence 165-178 of gp120 is represented by the sequence Asn-Ile-Ser-Thr-Ser-Ile-Arg-Gly-Lys-Val-Gln-Lys-Gln-Lys-Glu-Tyr, which is analogous to sequences in snake neurotoxins and rabies virus glycoprotein is conjugated to a keyhole limpet hemocyanin (KLH) and can be, thereafter, encapsulated in cyclodextrin to prevent the binding of viruses, toxins, viral coatings and gp120 to cells. (See <u>FEBS Letters 311:</u> 115-118 (1992)).

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The methods of the invention should be particularly considered to stabilize peptides containing asparytyl, asparaginyl and glycine residues.

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CLAIMS

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- 1. A pharmaceutically effective composition comprising an effective amount of a receptor agonist, antagonist or immunogenic peptide of 3 to 40 amino acids in a cyclodextrin inclusion complex in a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent.
- 2. A composition of claim 1 wherein the immunogenic peptide is TP-5.
 - 3. A composition of claim 1 wherein cyclodextrin is present at a concentration of .5% to 30%.
 - 4 A composition of claim 3 wherein a cyclodextrin is 2-hydroxypropyl-8-cyclodextrin.
- 5. A composition of claim 1 wherein the active peptide is an immunogen.
 - 6. A composition of claim 1 wherein the peptide is splenopentin.
- 7. A composition of claim 1 wherein the peptide is delta sleep-inducing peptide.
 - 8. A composition of claim 1 wherein the peptide is vasoactive intestinal peptide.
 - 9. A composition of claim 1 wherein the peptide is HG 165-178.
- 10. A method of administering an immunogen to an animal by
 administering an immunogenic effective amount of a
 pharmaceutical composition of claim 5.

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- 11. A method of claim 10 wherein the pharmaceutical composition is administered directly to the mucosa.
- 12. A method of claim 11 wherein the pharmaceutical composition is administered sublingually.
- 13. A method of claim 11 wherein the pharmaceutical composition is administered to the nasal mucosa by inhalation.

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